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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2003, setting a 3-month

shortened statutory period for a reply ending on October 17, 2003, Applicant

submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application.

This amendment is considered to place the application in better condition for

allowance.

Also enclosed is the Request for Three-Month Extension of Time, thereby

extending the end date of the current term to **Monday, January 19, 2004,**

accompanied by the authorization to charge the fee of $475.00 (small entity) to

Deposit Account No. 12-0400. No other fee is believed to be required, but, if

this is not the case, please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment

to Deposit Account No. 12-0400.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which

begins on page 7 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include

both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the

last page of this paper.